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COMMENTS INVITED ON SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (REGION 5) PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN AMENDMENT (GENERAL DOCKET NO. 89-97)

Comment Date: August 30, 2005

Reply Date: September 14, 2005

On April 20, 2005, the Region 5 (Southern California)¹ 800 MHz Regional Planning Committee submitted a proposed amendment to its Public Safety Plan that would allocate the following channels to Cocachella Water District and the City of San Diego: ² 638, 647, 676, 685, 714, 723, 752, 790 and 816.³

The proposed amendment was reviewed by, and letters of concurrence obtained from, Southern California's adjacent regions, Region 3 (Arizona), Region 6 (Northern California), and Region 27 (Nevada).

In accordance with the National Public Safety Plan, each region is responsible for planning its use of public safety radio frequency spectrum in the 821-824/866-869 MHz bands.⁴ The Region 5 Plan, which was originally adopted by the Commission in November 1989, has been modified several times within the last sixteen years.⁵

¹ Region 5 Southern California consists of ten counties: San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Kern, Ventura, San Bernadino, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Diego and Imperial.

² See Letter dated April 18, 2005, from Ron Wong, Region 5 800 MHz Planning Committee, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC (submitting Amendment to Southern California NSPAC Plan) filed April 20, 2005 (Plan Amendment).

³ See Plan Amendment Attachment – March 18, 2004 Southern California Regional Planning Committee Frequency Allocation Plan.

⁴ See Development and Implementation of a Public Safety National Plan and Amendment to Part 90 to Establish Service Rules and Technical Standards for Use of the 821-824/766-869 MHz Bands by the Public Safety Services, Report and Order, Gen. Docket No. 87-112, 3 FCC Rcd 905 (1987).

⁵ See In The Matter of Southern California Public Safety Plan, General Docket No. 89-97, Order, 4 FCC Rcd 8352 (PRB 1989); Amendment Approval Letter dated June 9, 1993 from Richard J. Shiben, Chief, Land Mobile and Microwave Division to Garrett Mayer, Chair, Region 5; In the Matter of Southern California Public Safety Plan, Gen. Docket 89-97, Order, 10 FCC Rcd (WTB PRD 1995); Amendment Approval Letter dated Apr. 19, 1996 from Robert H. McNamara, Chief, Private Wireless Division to Garrett G. Mayer, Chair, Region 5; Wireless Telecom Action, Southern California (Region 5) Receives Approval for Minor Amendments to its Public Safety, Public

Prior to taking action on the Region 5 Plan Amendment, by this Public Notice, we solicit comments on the Plan Amendment. Pursuant to Sections 1.4.5 and 1.419 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.415. 19, interested parties may file comments on the proposed Region 5 Plan Amendment on or before Augus 19, 2005 and reply comments on or before September 14, 2005. All comments should reference General Docket 89-97, and should be filed with the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554.

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The Plan Amendment can be accessed electronically via the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply. Filings and comments are also available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW, Room CY-A257, Washington, DC, 20554. Copies also may be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc. (BCPI), Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554. Customers may contact BCPI through its web site, http://www.bcpiweb.com, by email at fcc@bcpiweb.com, by phone at (202) 488-5300 or (800) 378-3160, or by facsimile at (202) 488-5563.

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Notice, Gen. Docket 89-97, Report WT 97-39 (WTB rel. Oct. 7, 1997); Wireless Telecom Action, Southern California (Region 5) Receives Approval for Minor Amendments to its Public Safety Plan, Public Notice, Gen. Docket 89-97, 15 FCC Rcd 24573 (WTB PSPWD 2000); Wireless Telecom Action, Southern California (Region 5) Receives Approval for Minor Amendments to its 800 MHz Public Safety Plan, Public Notice, Gen. Docket 89-97, 17 FCC Rcd 15847 (WTB PSPWD 2002); Wireless Telecom Action, Southern California (Region 5) Receives Approval for Minor Amendments to its 800 MHz Public Safety Plan, Public Notice, Gen. Docket 89-97, 19 FCC Rcd 23590 (WTB PSCID 2004).

⁶ See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, 63 Fed. Reg. 24121 (1998).